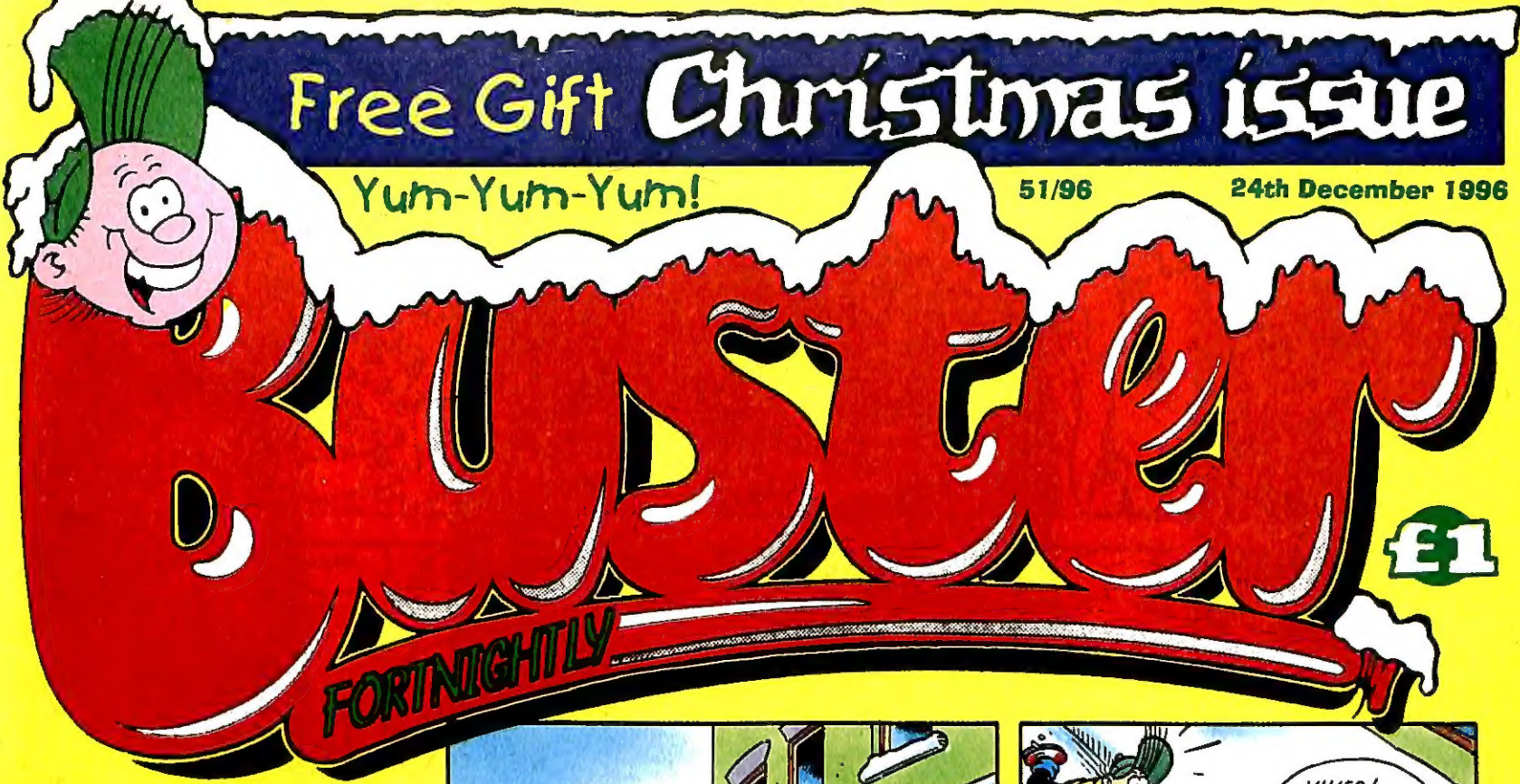


Free Gift Christmas issue

Yum-Yum-Yum!

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FREE
FRUIT
LOLLY

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WHICH FRUITY
FLAVOUR WILL
YOU GET?



If your gift is
missing, tell
your newsagent.

INGREDIENTS: Sugar, Glucose,
Citric Acid, Sodium Bicarbonate.
Artificial colours and flavours
E104, E110, E124, E151. Lemon,
Orange, Raspberry, Blackcurrant.





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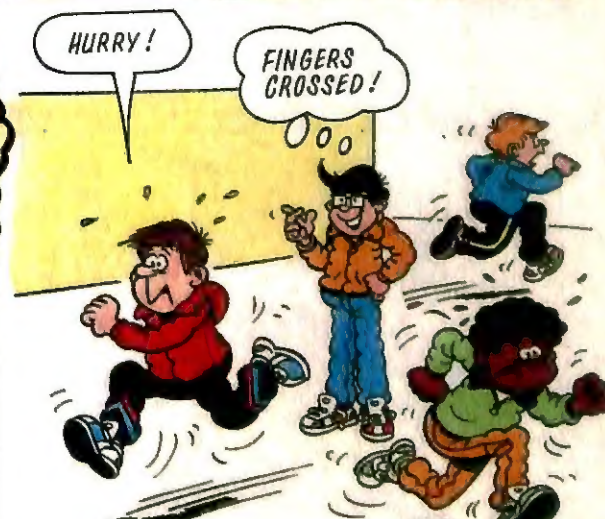
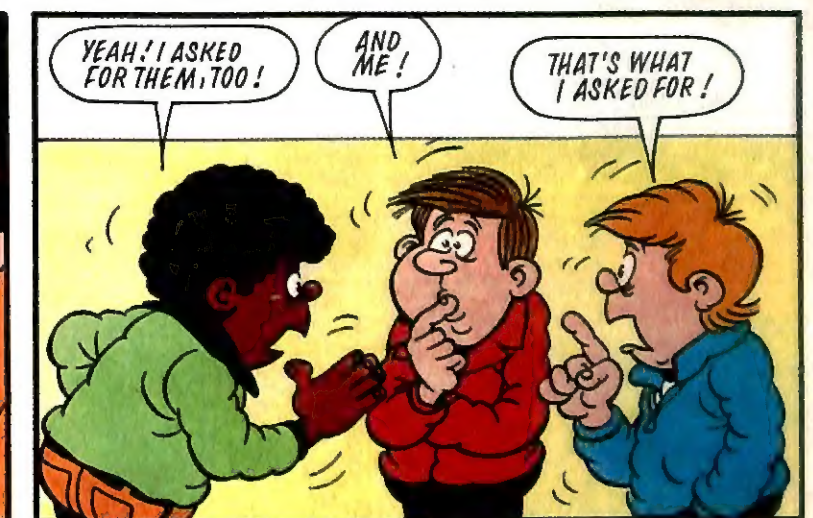
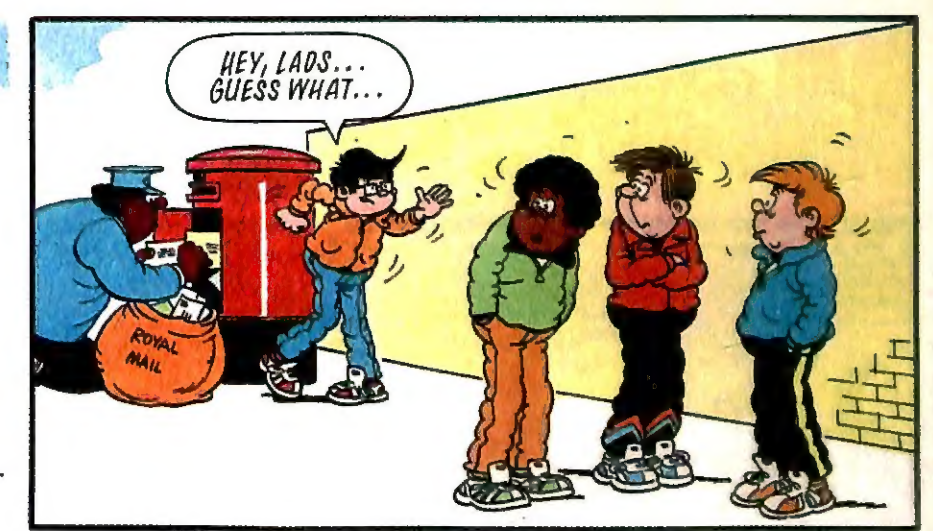
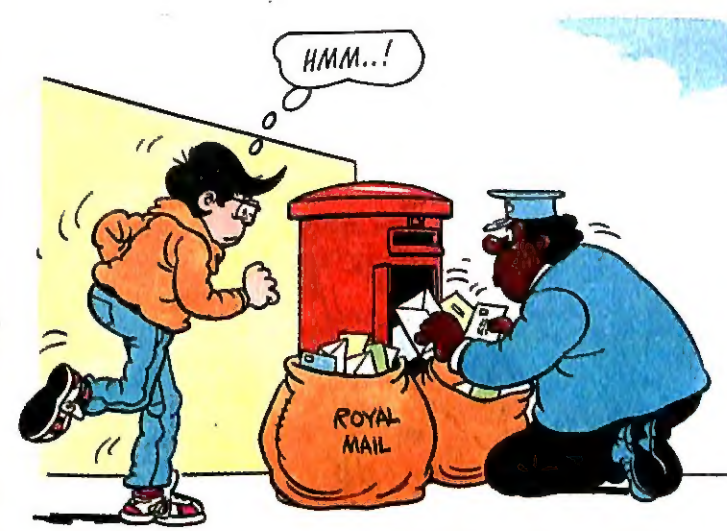
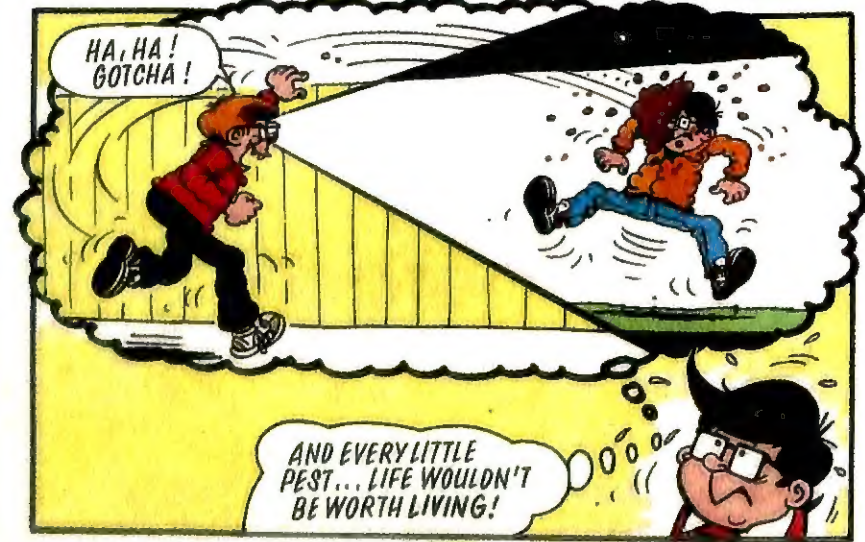
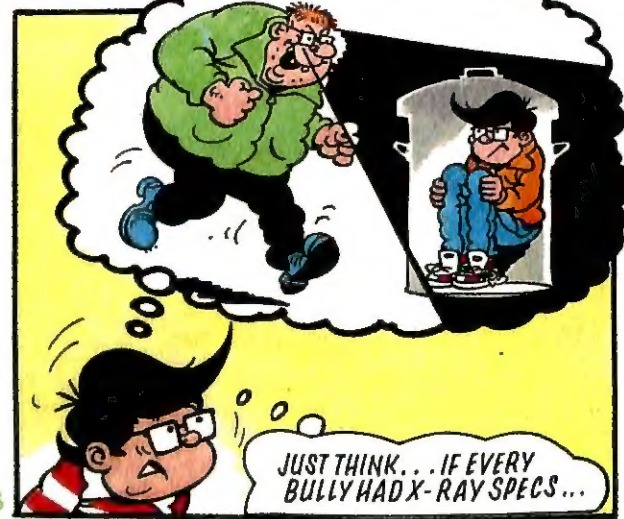
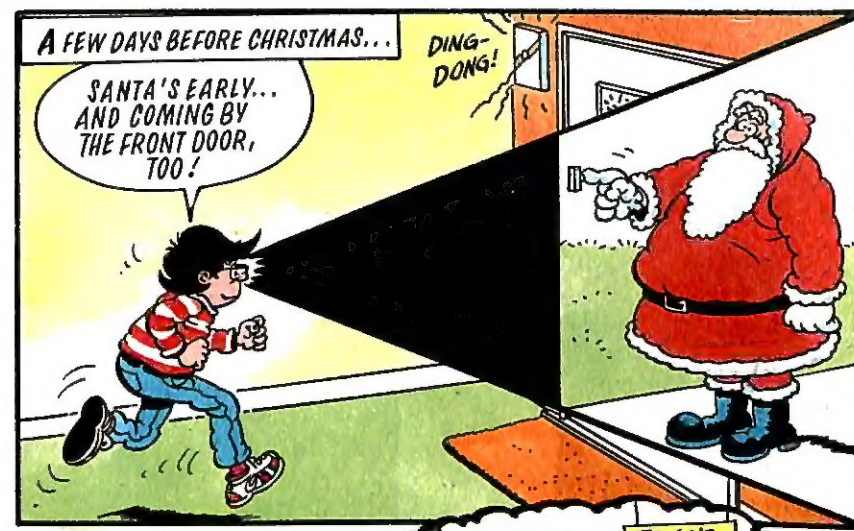
IF YOU'RE MAD ABOUT FOOTBALL,
WE'VE JUST MADE YOUR BREAKFAST.

New KELLOGG'S STRIKE! A seriously crunchy multigrain cereal that's packed full of FOOTBALL. FOOTBALL quizzes, FOOTBALL give-aways, FOOTBALL coaching cards and FOOTBALL competitions. It's for people whose heads are crammed full of useless FOOTBALL trivia. And just want more. **Teletext! ON ITV P.383**

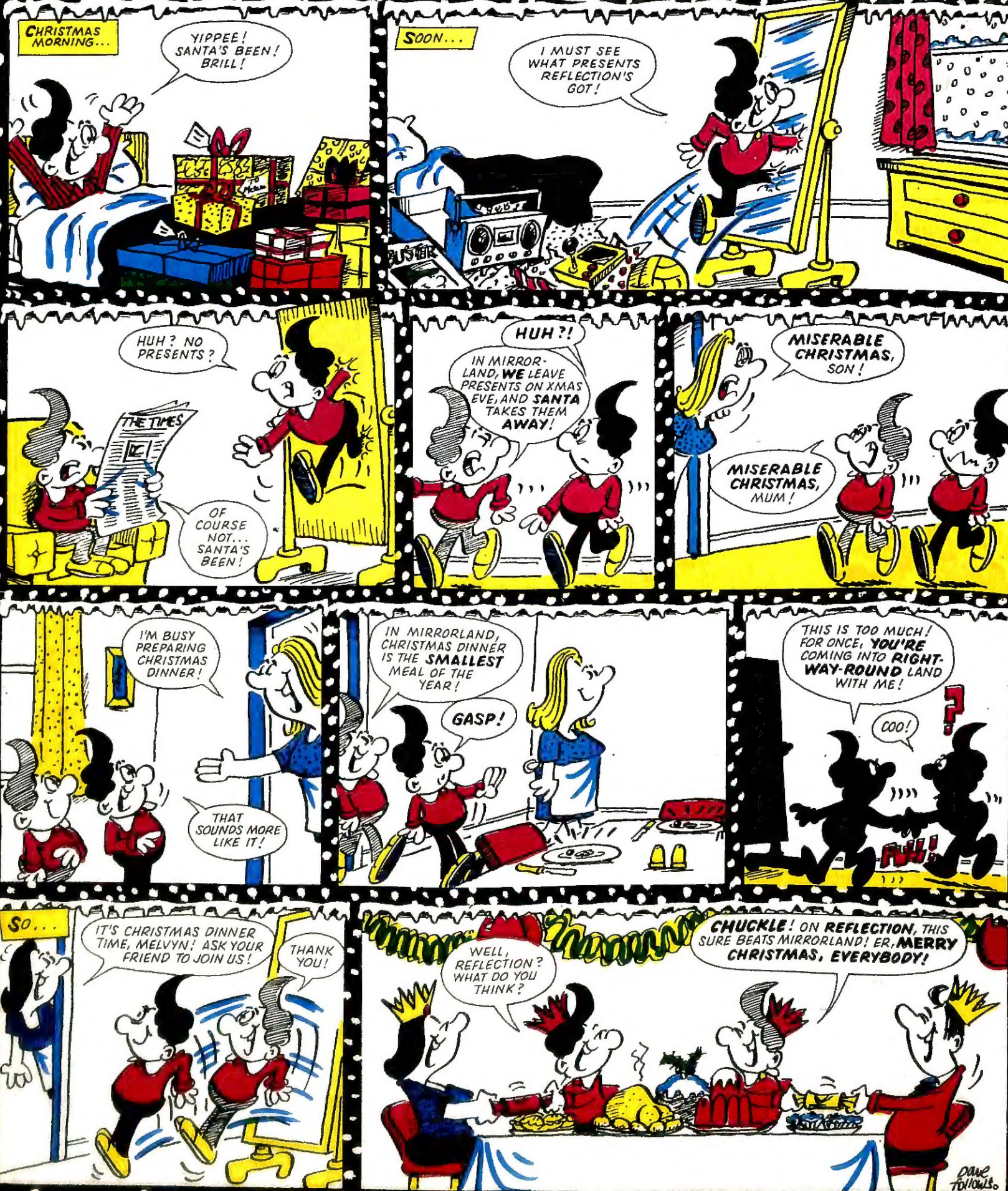


MORE FOOTBALL THAN YOU CAN EAT!

X-RAY SPECS



Melvyn's MIRROR



BETTER NOT MISS IT!

MYSTERY

FREE GIFT

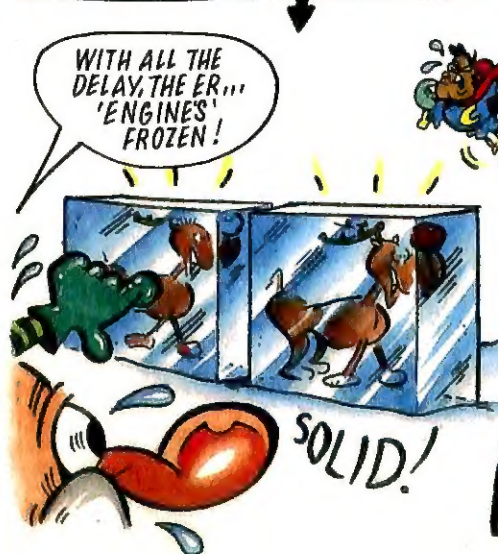
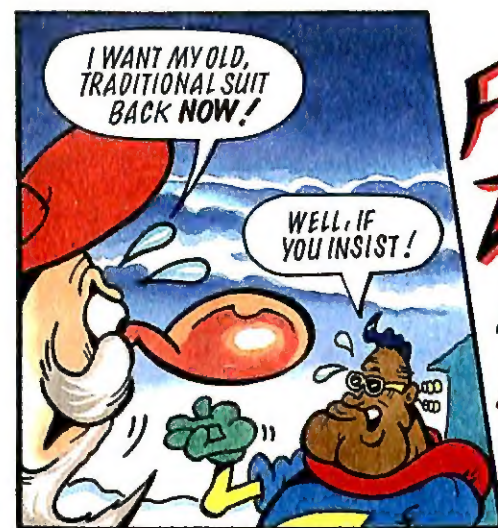
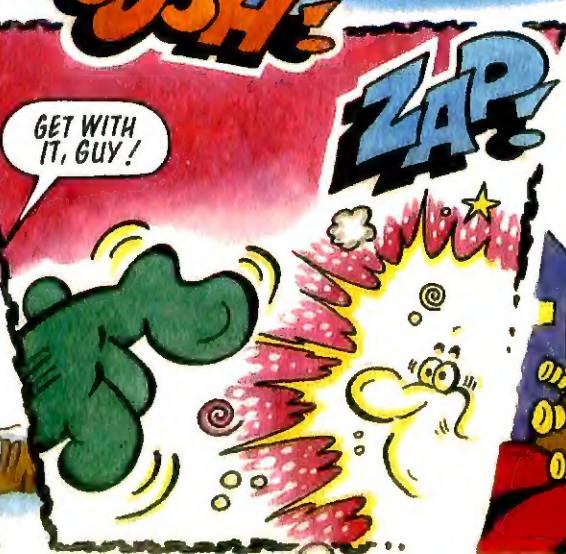
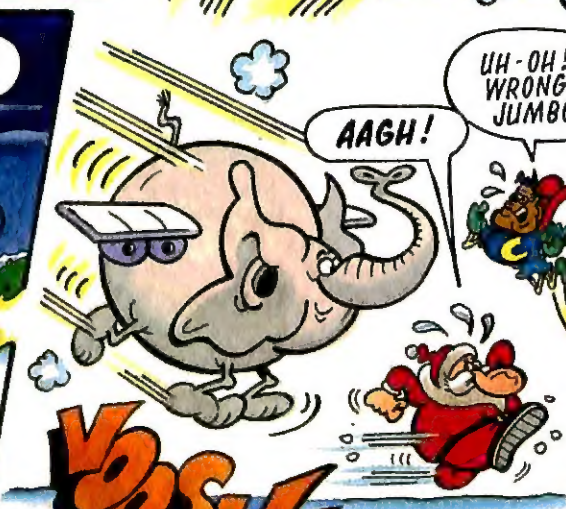
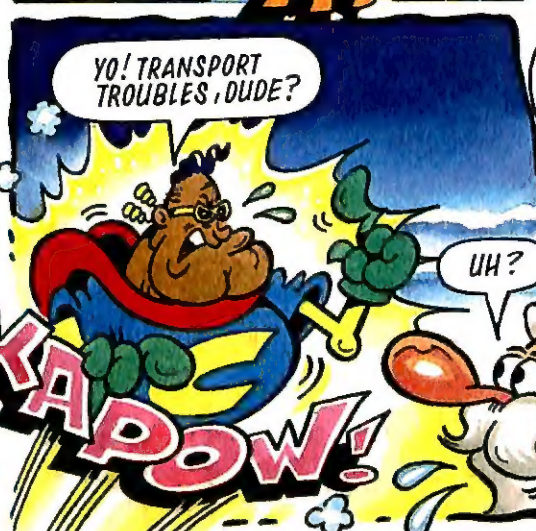
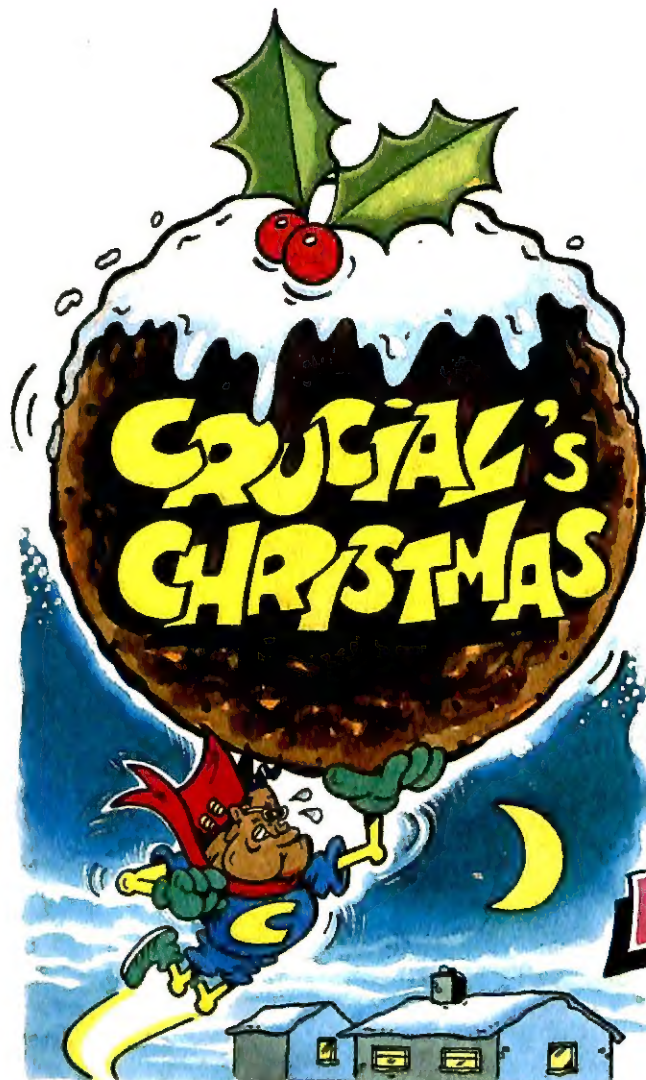
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WHAT WILL YOU GET?



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VEHICLES
UP FOR GRABS!



They're loud!
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They're a
BLAST!

Pull back on the special turbo cord - watch the turbo boost gauge rise - then pull the trigger and blast off! See the sparks fly as TURBO TRAX zooms away. There are no batteries to worry about with TURBO TRAX - so you're guaranteed hours of endless fun and excitement!

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We've got 25 terrific TURBO TRAX vehicles and launchers to offer as prizes in our simple competition. If you'd like the chance to win one, all you have to do is answer the question printed on the entry coupon on the right. Complete the coupon with your own name and address, written as clearly as possible, then cut out the coupon and stick it to a postcard, or the back of a sealed down, empty envelope. Send your entry to 'TURBO TRAX COMPETITION' Buster Comic, P.O. Box 164, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 3XB. Entries should arrive by Friday 3rd January, 1997, which is the closing date. After that date we will put all the correct entries we've received into a special post sack, and the senders of the first 25 pulled out at random will win the prizes as described. Usual Buster competition rules apply. The Editor's decision is final in all matters.

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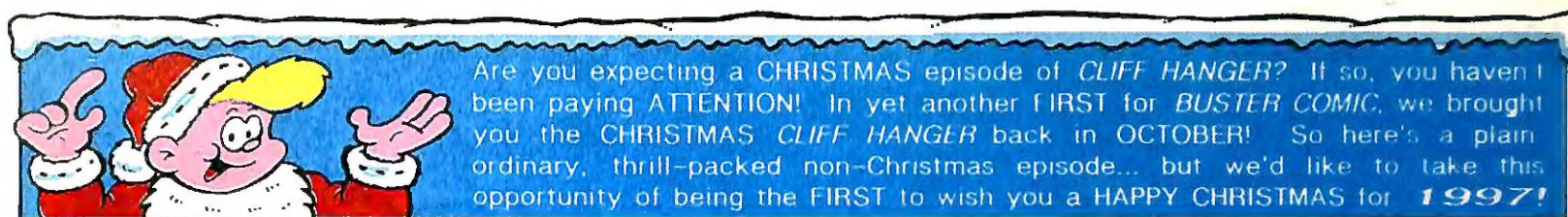
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Answer:

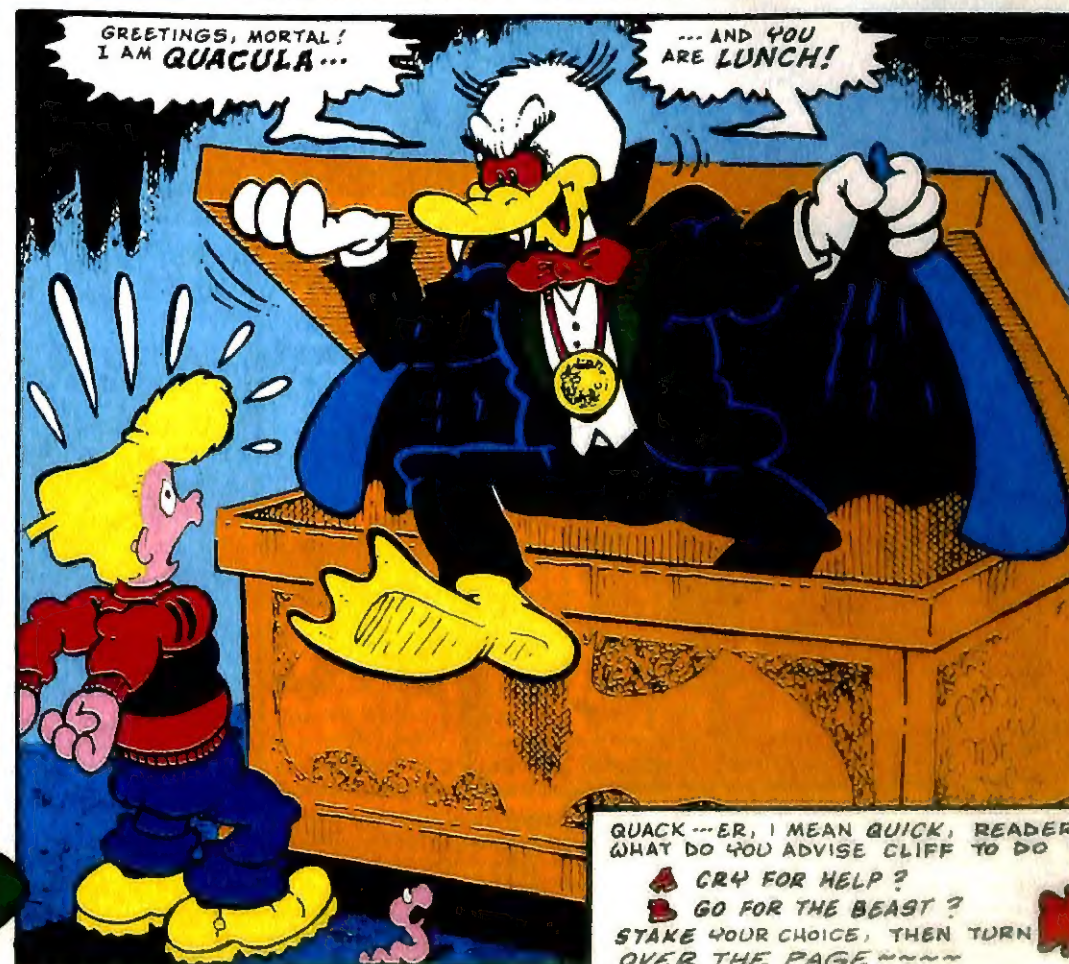
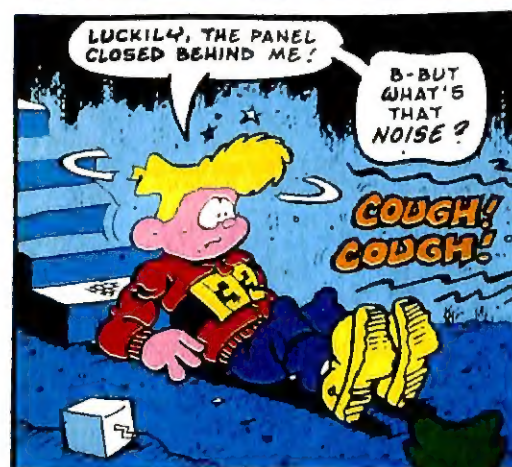
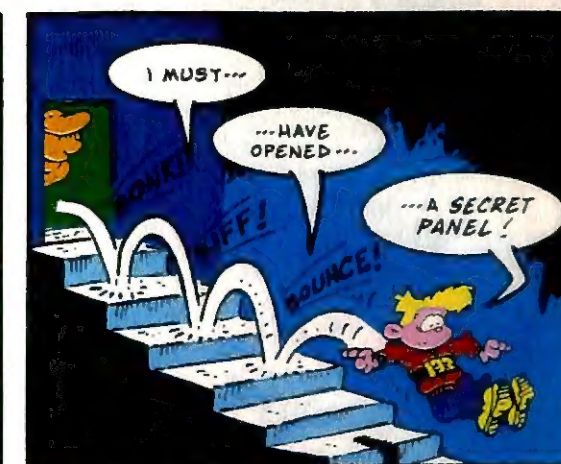
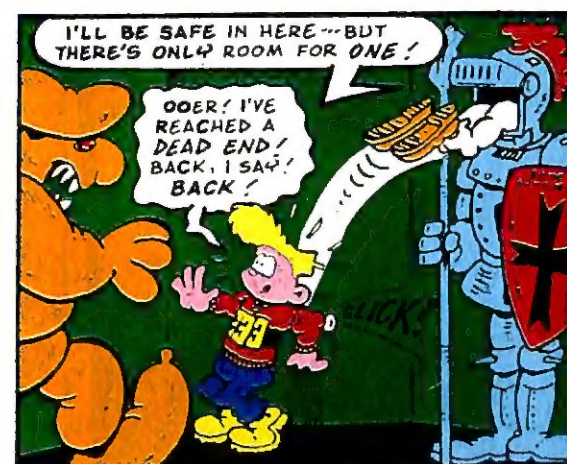
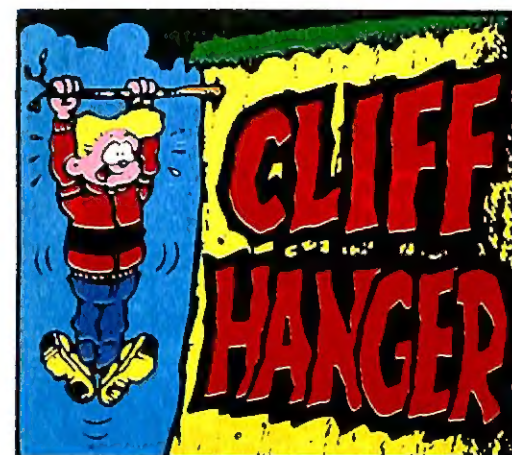
Name:

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Are you expecting a CHRISTMAS episode of CLIFF HANGER? If so, you haven't been paying ATTENTION! In yet another FIRST for BUSTER COMIC, we brought you the CHRISTMAS CLIFF HANGER back in OCTOBER! So here's a plain ordinary, thrill-packed non-Christmas episode... but we'd like to take this opportunity of being the FIRST to wish you a HAPPY CHRISTMAS for 1997!



BUSTER'S PIN-BOARD, P.O. BOX 164,
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BUSTER'S CHRISTMAS PIN-BOARD and JOKE PAD

£2 FOR EACH WINNER



DEAR BUSTER,
PLEASE PUT
my PICTURE
OF you on
your
CHRISTMAS
pin-board.
by MARK
CHARLES,
DRAPERS Field,
COOKSTOWN,
Co. Tyrone.

Dear Buster
please can
you print my
drawing of
Tom Tru at
Christmas.

Ruth Bartholomew Swindley, Lincoln.

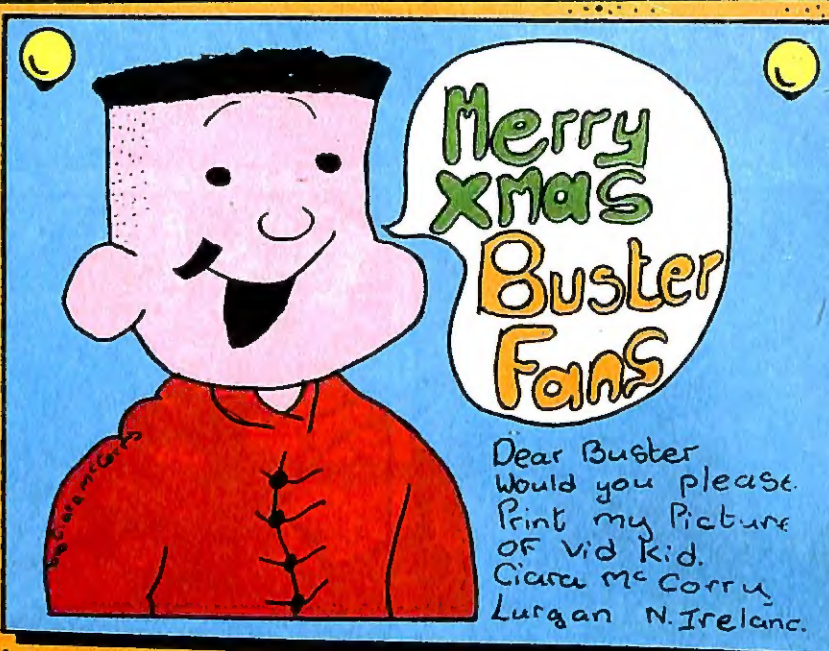
Mummy,
Mummy,
can I have
a puppy for
Christmas?

No, you'll
have
turkey
like
everyone
else.

David Taylor,
SKIPTON
N. YORKSHIRE



From Nicola Greagsbey, Westgate-on-Sea, Kent.



Dear Buster
Would you please
Print my Picture
OF vid kid.
Ciara Mc Corry
Lurgan N.Ireland.

Dear Buster,
I've got some Christmas
jokes for you. Here they are:

What goes HO, HO, HO, plop?
i ffo pooy on
Gurymol opus

What did Adam say on the
night before Christmas?
i i a i c o n g r a t s

What do you call
Mrs. Santa Claus?
i c o n g r a t s

What's black and white and
red on Christmas Eve?
r i b b o n p a s s e n p a s s i p p e r

from Priya Patel,
Harold Wood, Essex.

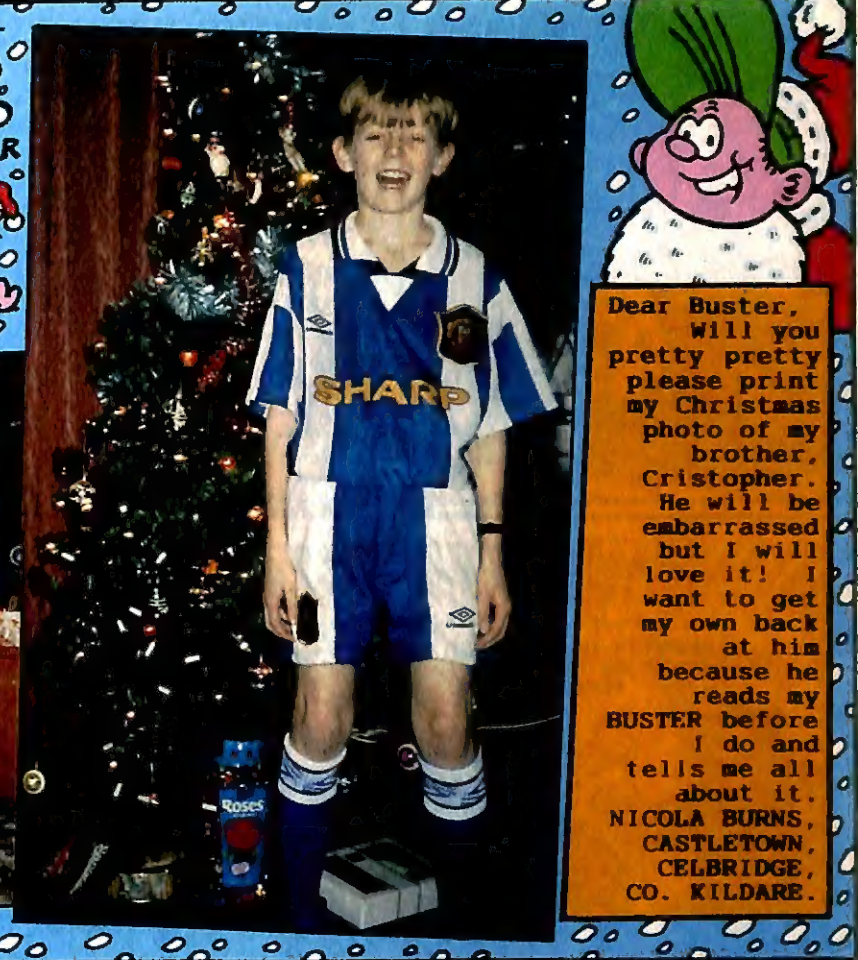
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Dear Buster

£2 FOR EACH WINNER

Dear Buster,
I am looking for a
pen-pal, either boy or
girl, between the ages
of 8 and 15. I am 11.
My hobbies are reading,
swimming, listening to
music and roller skat-
ing. I hope you can
print this picture of me
with my younger cousin
at Christmas.
SARAH CLEMESHA,
131 CALDBECK AVENUE,
WORCESTER PARK,
SURREY KT4 8BJ.

Dear Readers,
Just a note from me
to wish you the happiest
Christmas ever!
BUSTER, BUSTERTOWN.



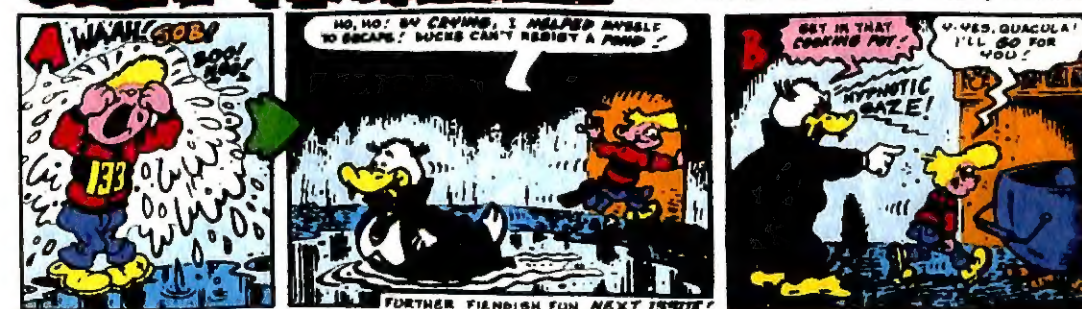
Dear Buster,
Will you
pretty pretty
please print
my Christmas
photo of my
brother,
Cristopher.
He will be
embarrassed
but I will
love it! I
want to get
my own back
at him
because he
reads my
BUSTER before
I do and
tells me all
about it.
NICOLA BURNS,
CASTLETOWN,
CELBRIDGE,
CO. KILDARE.

BUSTER BIRTHDAYS

13 DEC: Jemima O'Leary (age 10), Windsor, Berks.
14 DEC: Andrew Sharkey (age 10), Milton Keynes.
21 DEC: Anthony Wong (age 13), Northfield, Birmingham.
22 DEC: Victoria Gaffney, Bury, Lancashire.
23 DEC: Samantha Greagsbey (age 20), Westgate, Kent.

CLIFF HANGER

WHAT ADVICE DID YOU GIVE CLIFF, READER?



BUSTER BONUS

COMPUTER GAMES



Test your skills with this ace hand-held computer game from Campbell's Meatballs. Mega Meatballs come in five brilliant flavours: Tomato Sauce, Gravy, Onion Gravy, Bolognese and great new Smoky Bacon. They taste fab - and they're fun to eat. Thanks to our pals at Campbell's, we have hand-held computer games to give away to every BUSTER reader with something printed on this issue's 'Pin-Board' or in 'Dear Buster'... and that's as well as the regular pocket-money prize of £2. Generous or what?

Also, why not try groovy HOT DOGGERS from Campbell's. Round, bite-sized balls of tasty hot dog sausages in three tasty flavours: Barbecue, Gravy or Tomato. Don't miss out!

BUSTER INFO

Please send this data when you write to BUSTER

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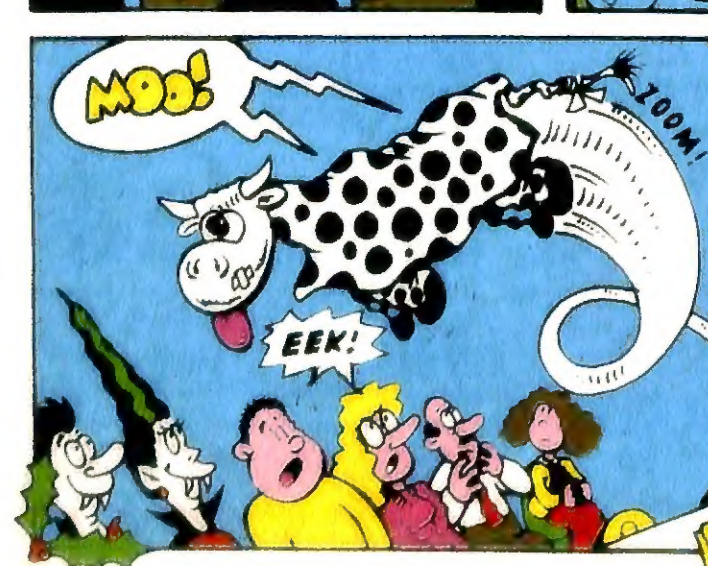
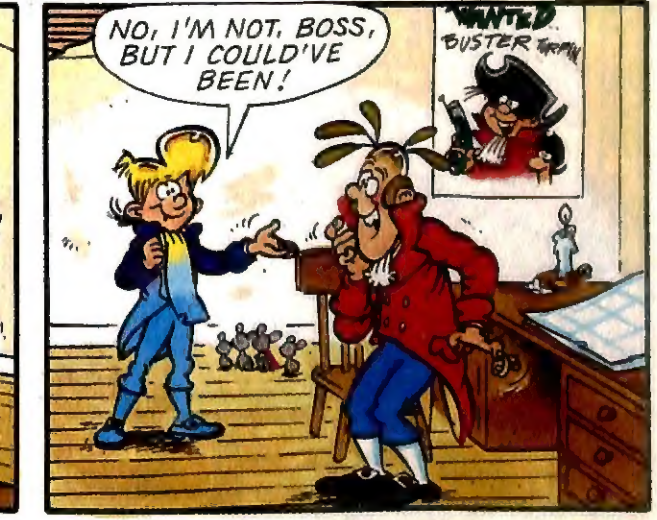
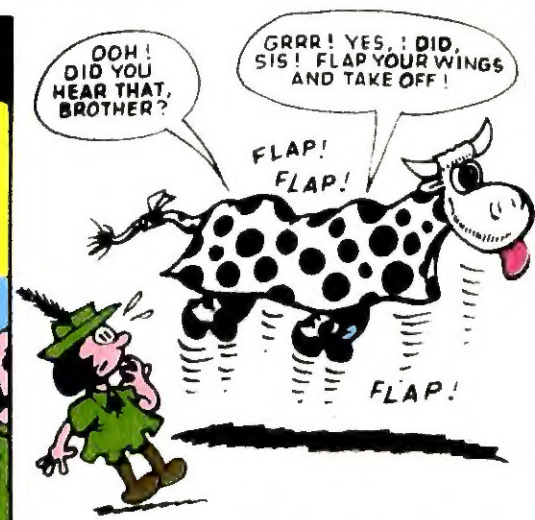
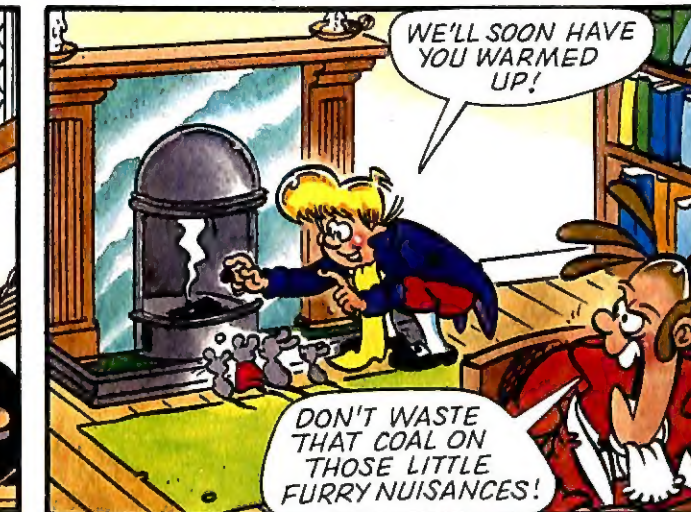
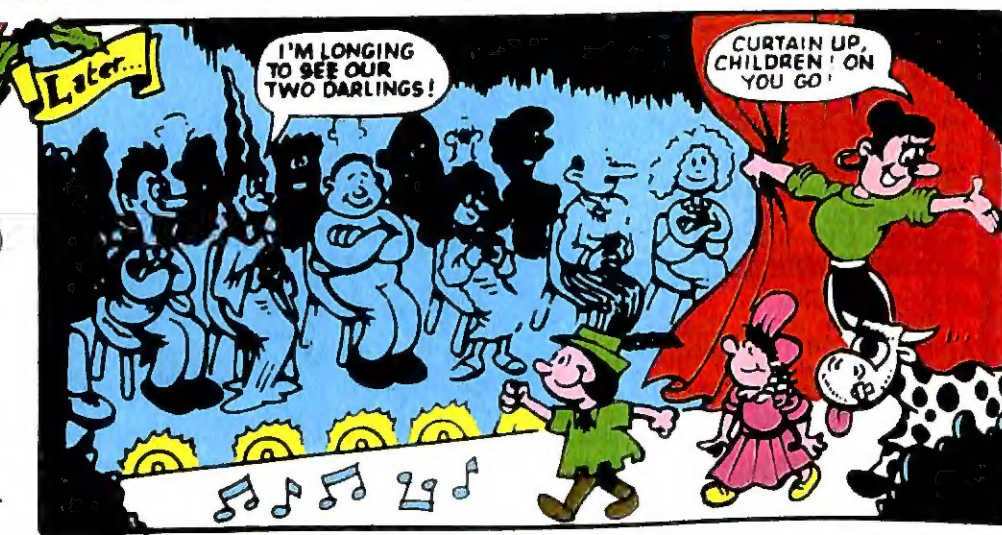
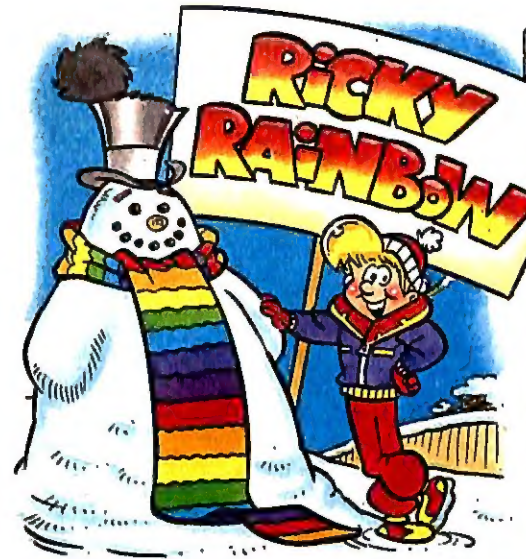
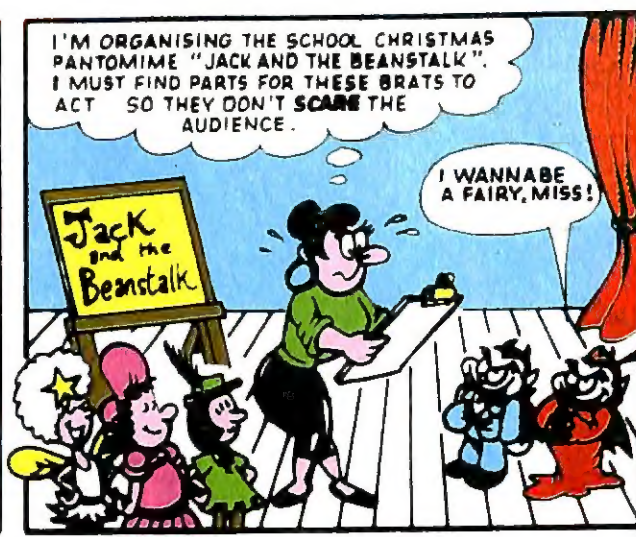
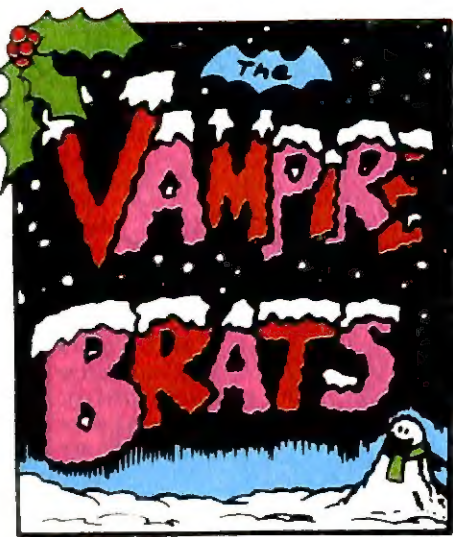
Name.....
Address.....
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Age.....
Date of birth..... 19.....
How long have you been a
BUSTER reader.....
Please tick this box if you do not wish
to receive further information from
Fleetway Editions ☐

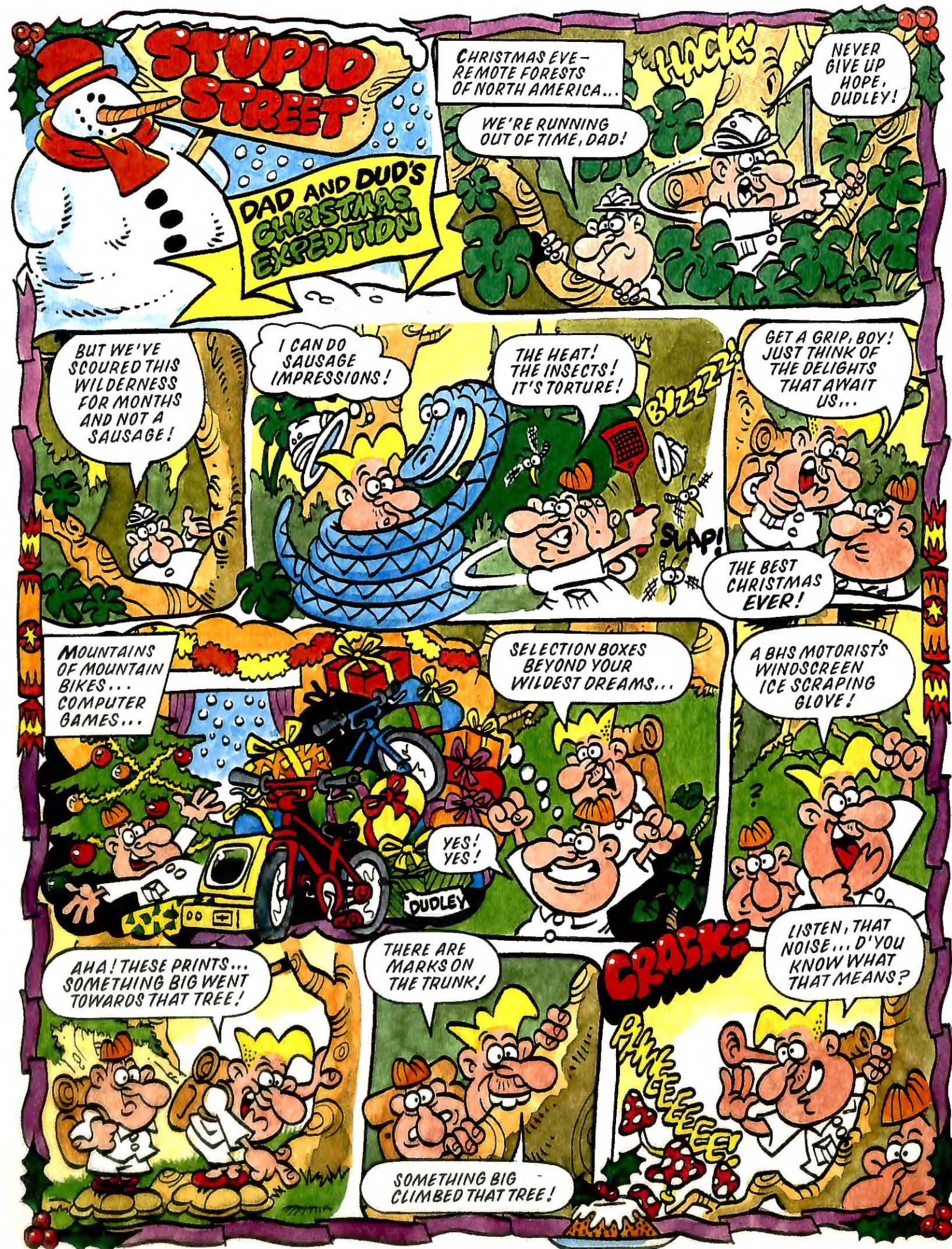
COOL or SAD

Your 3 fave BUSTER strips
1.....
2.....
3.....
Your least fave BUSTER strip
.....
What is your fave
TV Show.....
Video Game.....
Group.....

ISSUE RATING

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SWEET-TOOTH

...TWO CHOCOLATE SANTAS,
A CHOCOLATE SNOWMAN,
THREE BOXES OF CHOCOLATE
TREE DECORATIONS...



...AND AN EXTRA
LARGE CHOCOLATE
YULETIDE LOG,
PLEASE!

THERE YOU ARE, AND
A MERRY CHRISTMAS,
SWEET-TOOTH!



NOW TO GET THIS
LOT HOME!



SEASONS GREETINGS,
SWEET-TOOTH!



WE WISH YOU A
MERRY CHRISTMAS...
WE WISH YOU A...



ALL THE BEST
FOR CHRISTMAS,
SWEET-TOOTH!



40, HAVE A CRUCIAL CHRISTMAS,
SWEET-TOOTH!



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR!



MANY GREETINGS LATER...

FUNNY! THERE'S
SOMETHING SPLOSHING
ABOUT IN THE BAG!

SHAKE!

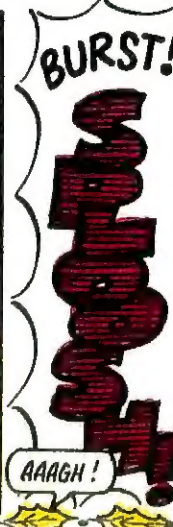


HOW COME?
IT'S ALL
SOLID
CHOCOLATE
STUFF!

SHAKE!



BURST!



CHOCOLATEY
MELT!

TOO MANY WARM WISHES,
I GUESS! TITTER!

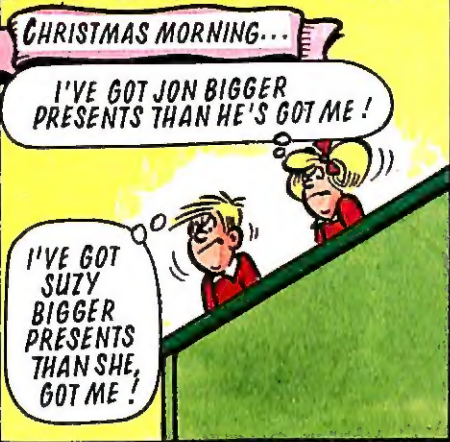


DOUBLE TROUBLE

CHRISTMAS MORNING...

I'VE GOT JON BIGGER
PRESENTS THAN HE'S GOT ME!

I'VE GOT SUZY
BIGGER
PRESENTS
THAN SHE
GOT ME!



KNOCK!

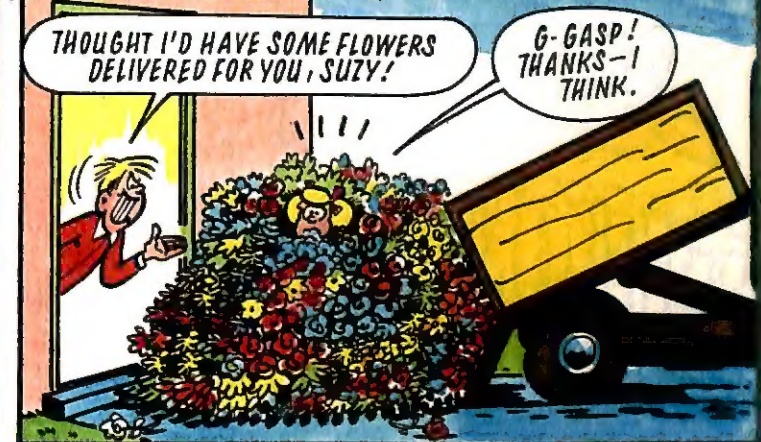
WHO
CAN THAT
BE?

I KNOW!



THOUGHT I'D HAVE SOME FLOWERS
DELIVERED FOR YOU, SUZY!

G-GASP!
THANKS—I
THINK.



LATER...

I'VE MADE
SOMETHING
FOR YOU,
JON!

WHAT
IS IT?



A CHRISTMAS PUDDING!
A LARGE ONE!



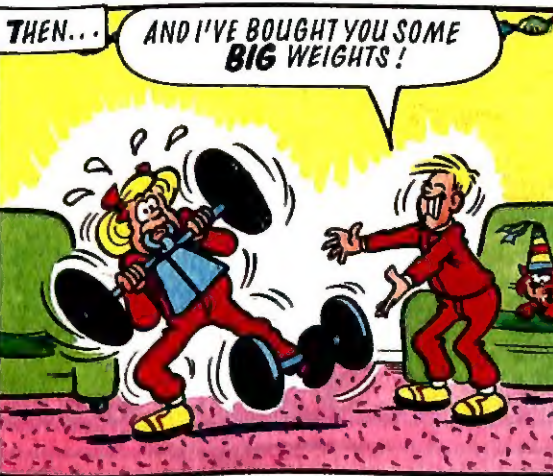
SPLAT!

DON'T EAT IT ALL
AT ONCE!

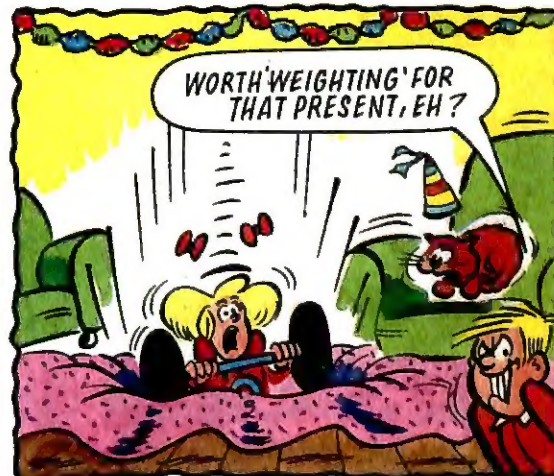


THEN...

AND I'VE BOUGHT YOU SOME
BIG WEIGHTS!



WORTH 'WEIGHTING' FOR
THAT PRESENT, EH?



AND I'VE
GOT A BIG...

WHAT?
I CAN'T
SEE
ANYTHING!



...CHRISTMAS
KISS!

OH,
YUGH!



IT'S AGREED—NEXT CHRISTMAS,
FOR PRESENTS, WE'LL BOTH
THINK SMALL!



The Bumpkin Billionaires



ALMOST CHRISTMAS, MISS WOBBLETHORPE! I WONDER IF THE BUMPKINS WILL BRING ME A PRESENT?

MORNIN', MR. BANK MANAGER, BE YOU FREE, LOIKE?

YES, OH BE... ER, I MEAN, DO COME IN, MR. BUMPKIN!

HERE BE A PRESENT FOR 'EE! US ALWAYS GIVES FRIENDS NOICE MANGEL WURTELS, LOIKE! MERRY CHRISTMAS!

THAT FAMILY NEVER CEASE TO AMAZE ME! WHAT SORT OF PRESENT IS A MANGEL WURTEL?!

MMM... A TASTY ONE!

ACTUALLY, SIR, IF IT WASN'T FOR LOOKING AFTER THE BUMPKINS' MONEY, WE WOULDN'T BE MAKING THESE PROFITS! WE SHOULD BE GIVING THEM PRESENTS!

YOU'RE RIGHT, AS USUAL, MISS WOBBLETHORPE! I'LL SEE ABOUT IT AT ONCE!

SCRUNCH!

SOON...

'ELLO, MR. MANAGER! LOIKE OUR TREE? WE'VE AD IT FOR YEARS!

FORGET THAT TREE! YOU'RE GOING RIGHT ROUND THE WORLD FOR CHRISTMAS!

OO-AAR? BE THAT FOREIGN PARTS?

OF COURSE IT'S FOREIGN PARTS, YOU STUPID YOKELS!!!

DID 'EE JUST CALL US STUPID YOKELS?!

GASP! OH, NO! I MEAN, YES!

FUNNY! EVERYBODY CALLS US THAT! OI WONDERS WHO?

ARR! AAAR! AAAR!

LOOK! THE BANK IS GIVING YOU A CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY IN THE WEST INDIES! THERE'S THE CAR TO TAKE YOU TO THE AIRPORT!

AAR?!

SO, ONE FLIGHT LATER...

'ERE! THE SUN BE OUT! IT BE NOICE!

CAR TO TAKE THE BUMPKINS TO THEIR SPECIAL CHRISTMAS PARTY!

'ERE! THAT BE US!

SOON...

THIS BE FANTASTIC, PA! MERRY CHRISTMAS!

'AN YOU, MA, BILLY, DAISY! BUT IT BE ALL THANKS TO MR MANAGER! WE MUST SEND 'IM A REALLY NOICE PRESENT!

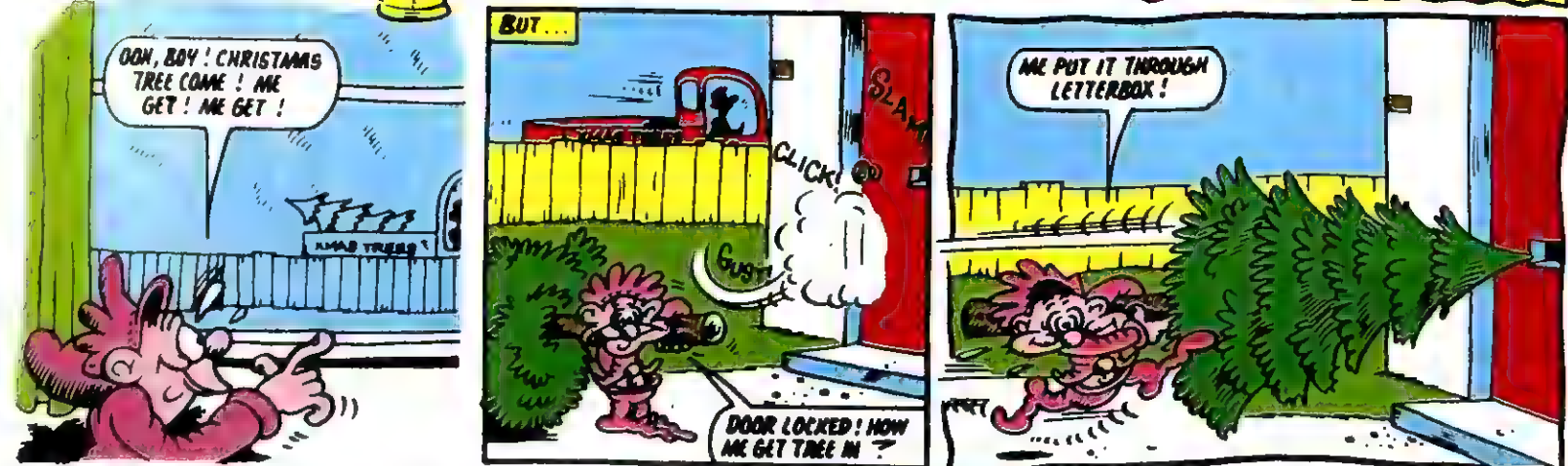
LET'S BUY SOMETHIN' ROIGHT AWAY, LOIKE!

LATER, ON CHRISTMAS DAY...

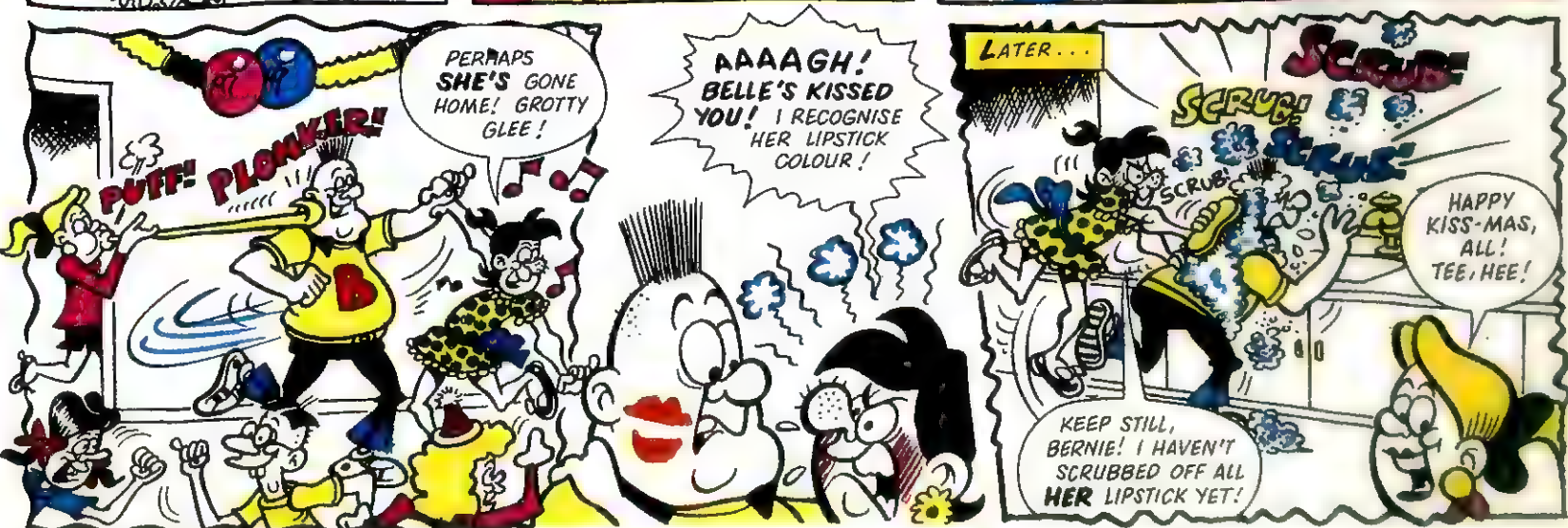
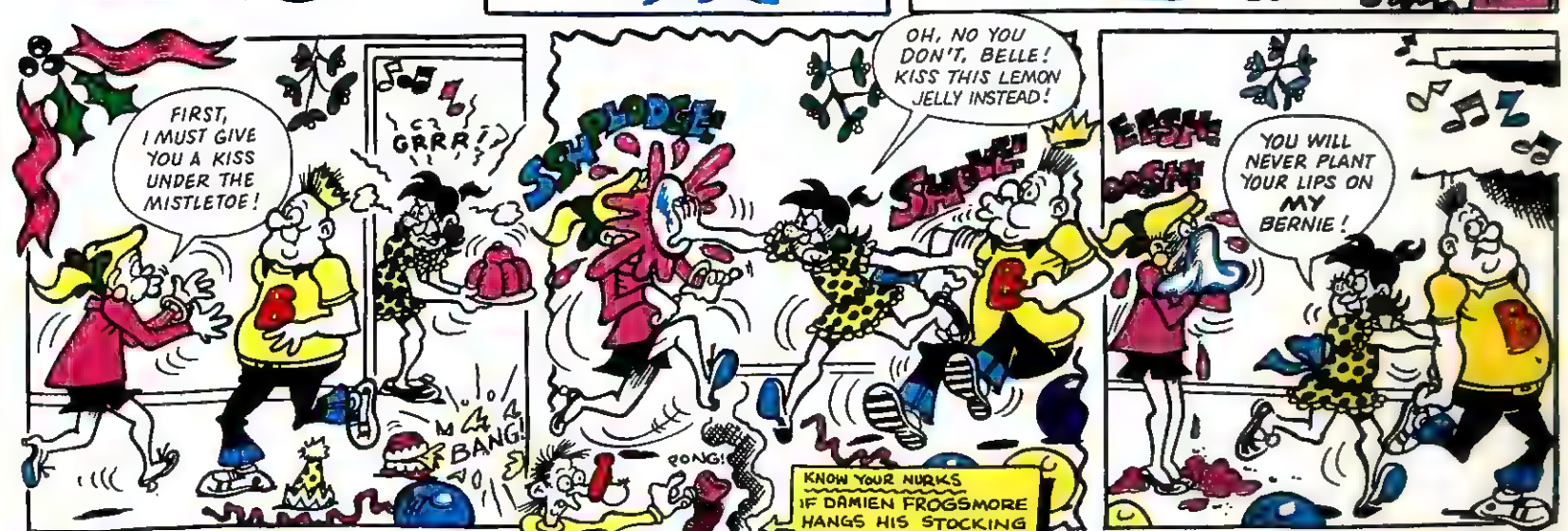
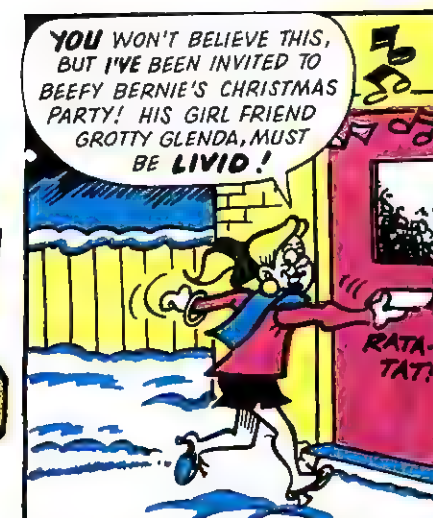
IT'S A PRESENT FROM THE BUMPKINS IN THE WEST INDIES! OOH, BOY!

HOWL!

WEST INDIAN WURTEL



SCHOOL BELLE





THERE'S JUST NO ESCAPE FROM...



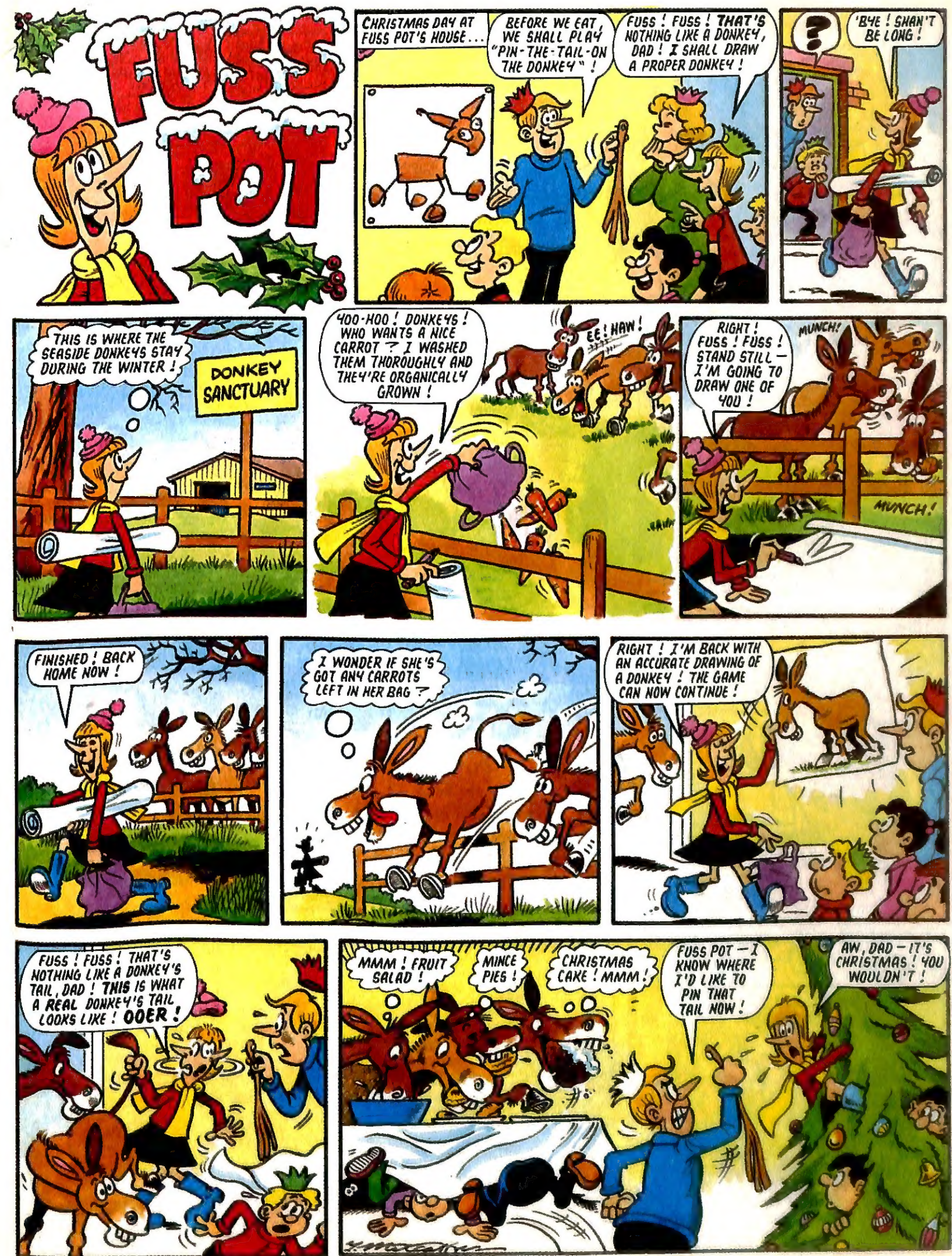
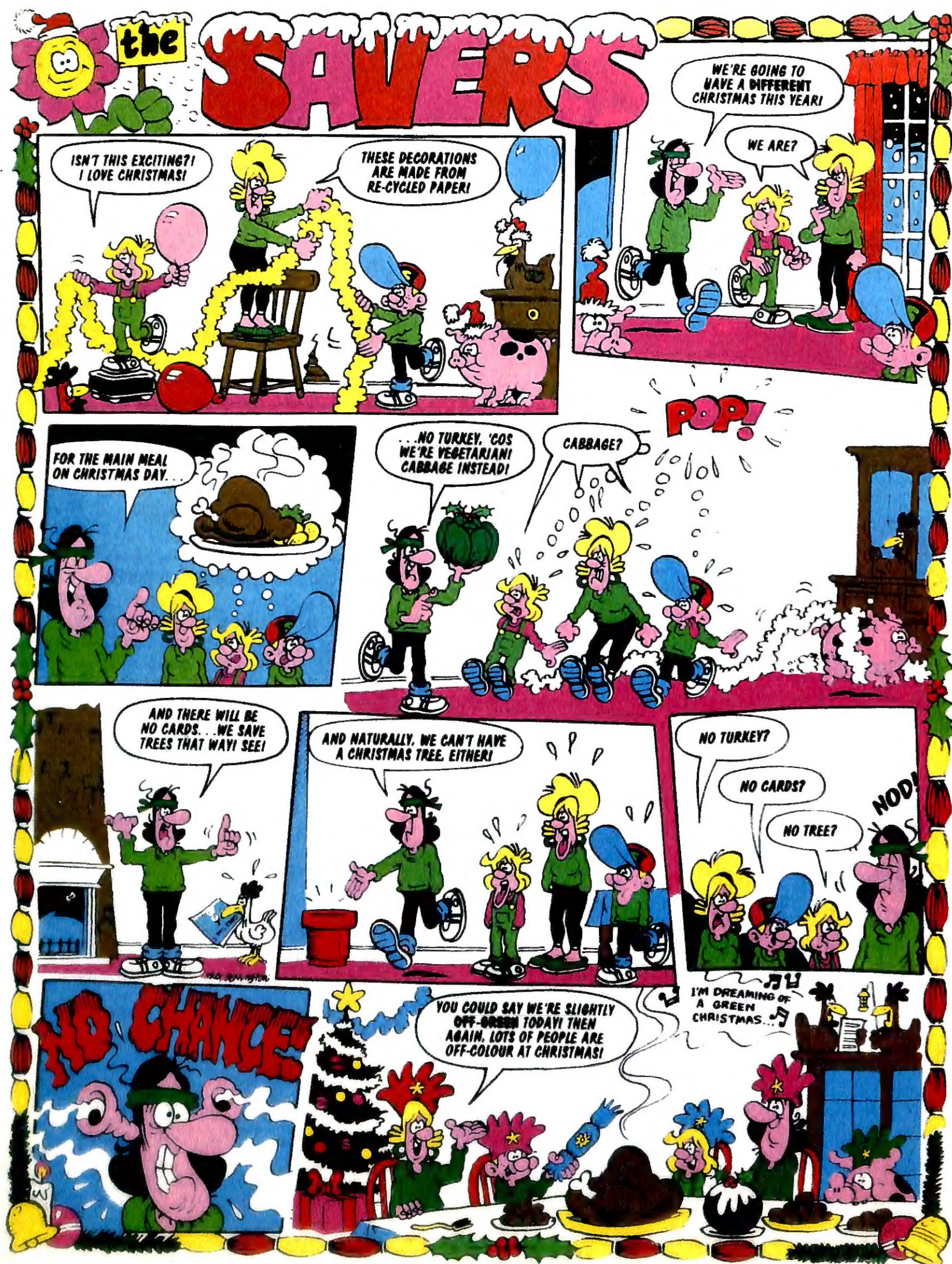
Just when the villains thought it was safe to come out again, the world's most popular Super Hero is back! Thanks to **Playmates Toys** and **Buster**, you've got the chance to win one of 10 DAILY BUGLE PLAYSETS - just part of the fabulous range of SPIDER-MAN toys featuring the webbed wonder, on sale now in toyshops everywhere.

10 DAILY BUGLE PLAYSETS TO BE WON

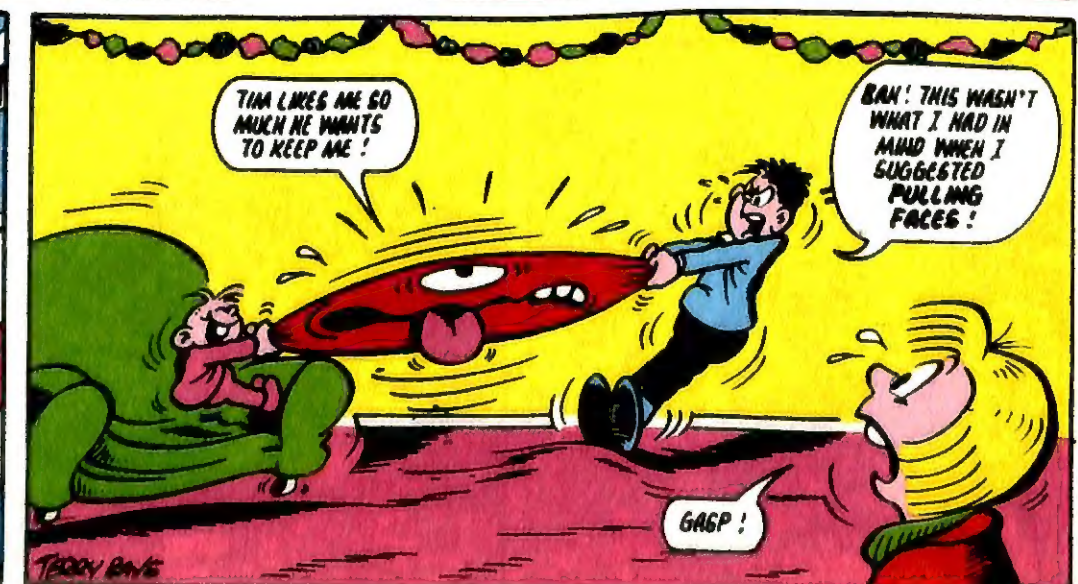
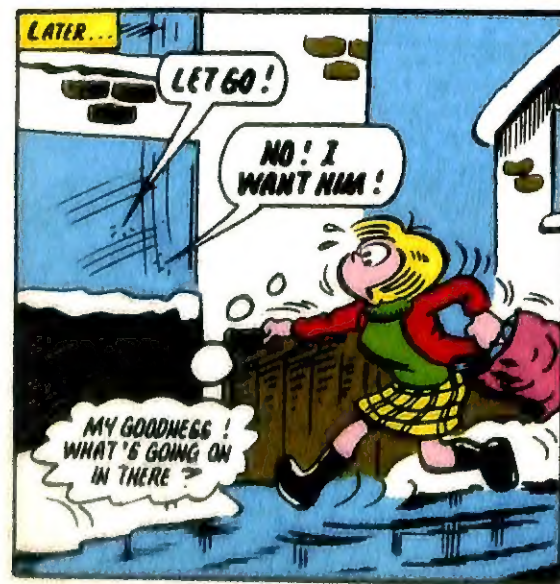
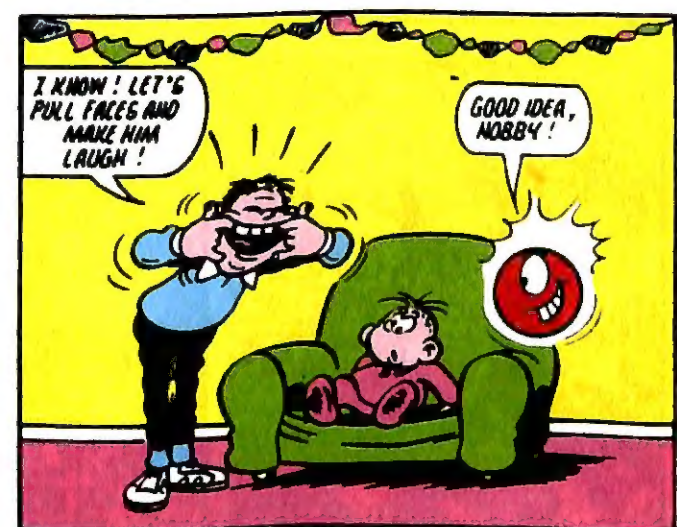
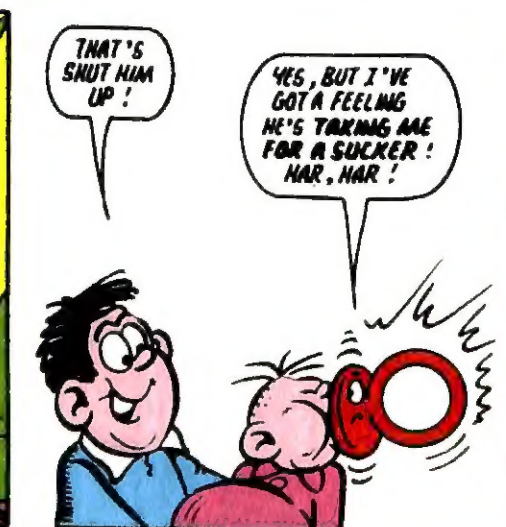
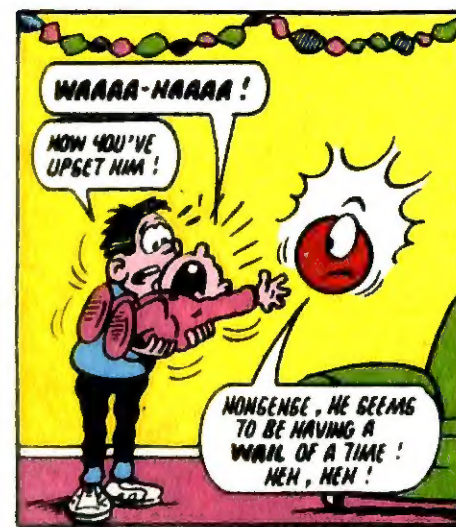
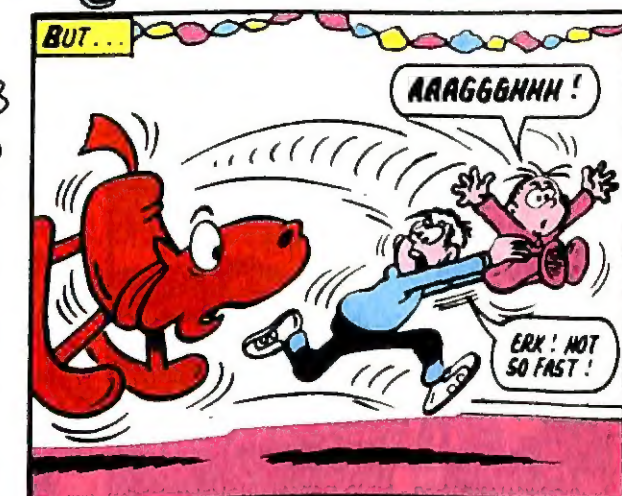
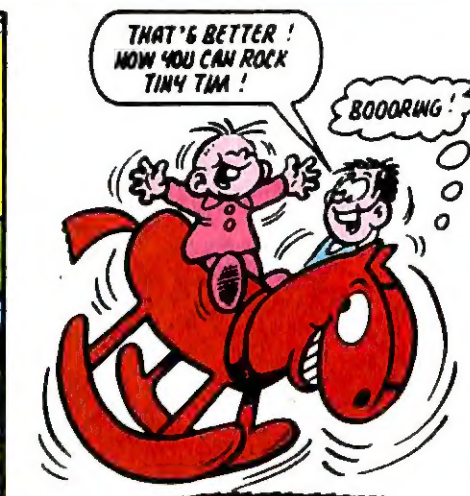
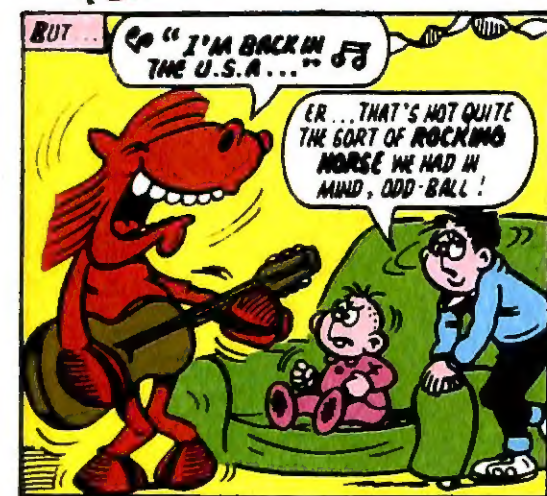
This three part modular Playset comes complete with all the amazing gadgets that make the adventures of SPIDER-MAN so spectacular!



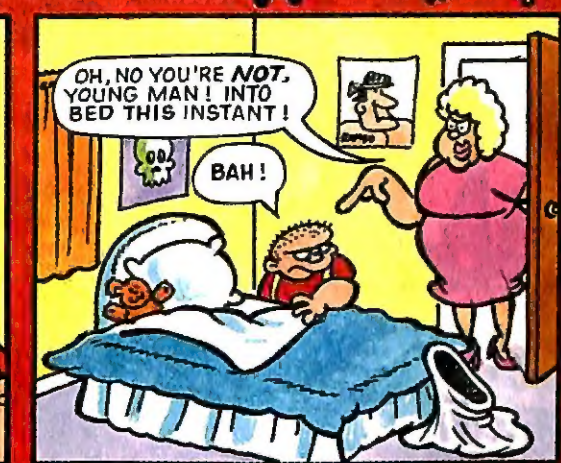
If you'd like the chance to win one of our super prizes, all you have to do is tell us the name of Buster comic's own amazing super hero. Is it (a) Captain Crimble, (b) Captain Crucial or (c) Captaia Criminal. Write your answer on a postcard, or the back of a sealed down, empty envelope. Add your own name and address and send your entry to: 'Spider-Man Competition' at the usual Buster address. Entries should arrive by Friday 3rd January, 1997, the closing date. After that date all correct entries will be put into a post sack, and readers of the first 10 draws at random will win the prizes. Usual Buster competition rules apply. The Editor's decision is final.



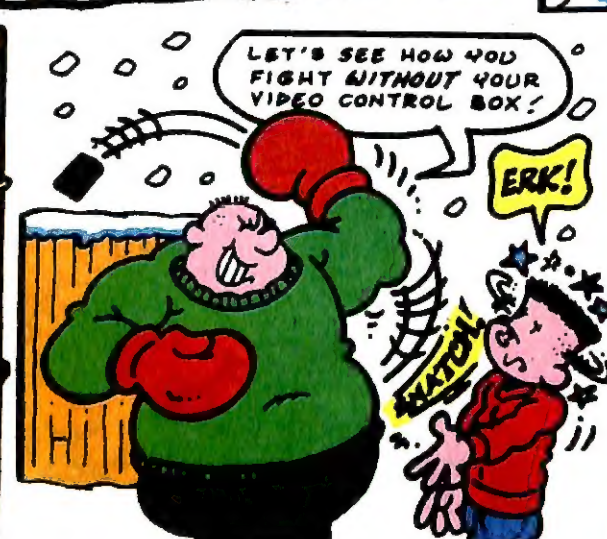
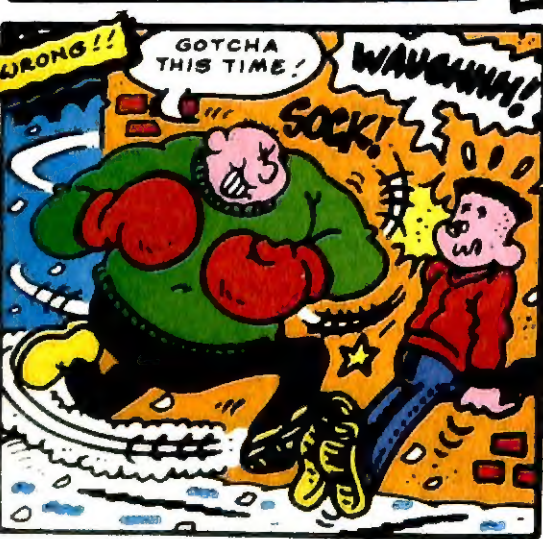
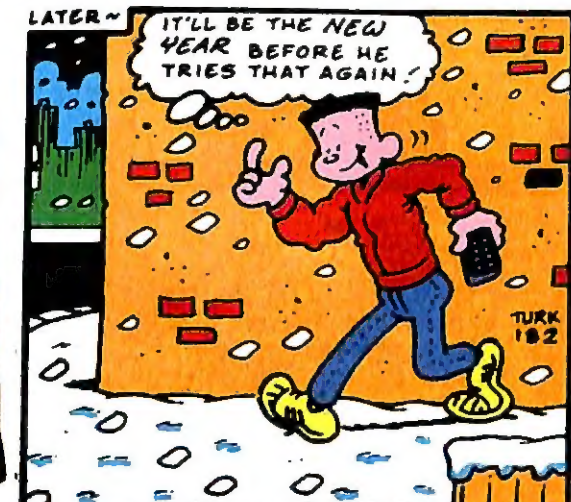
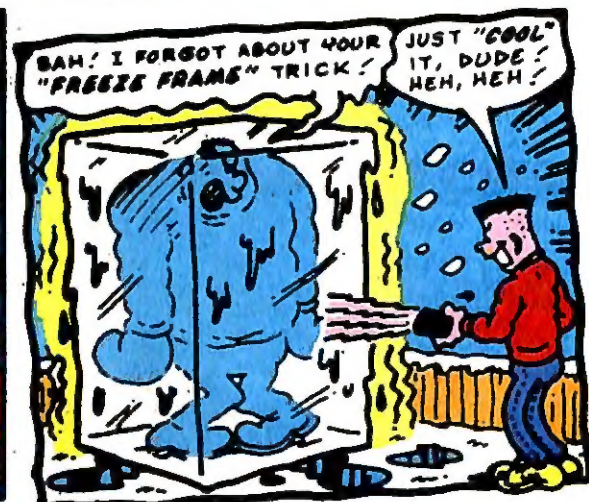
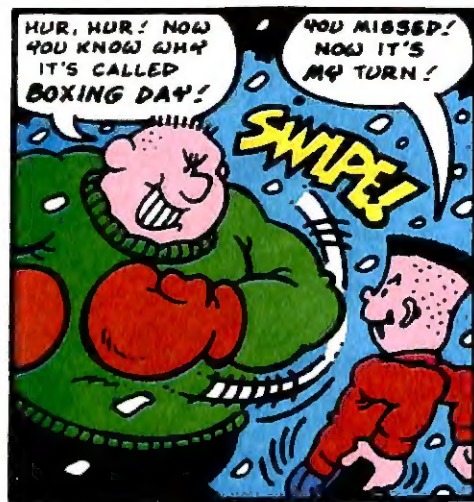
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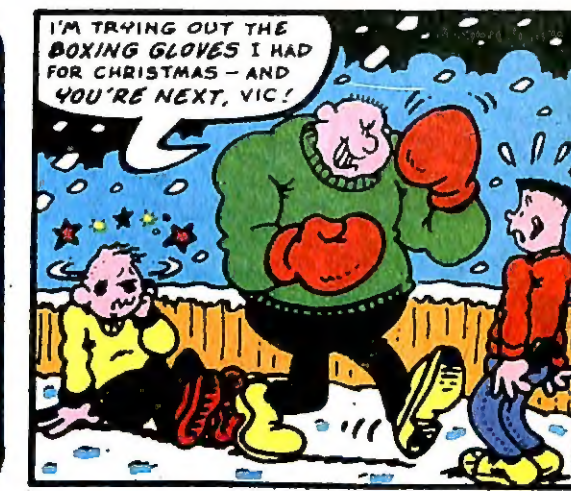
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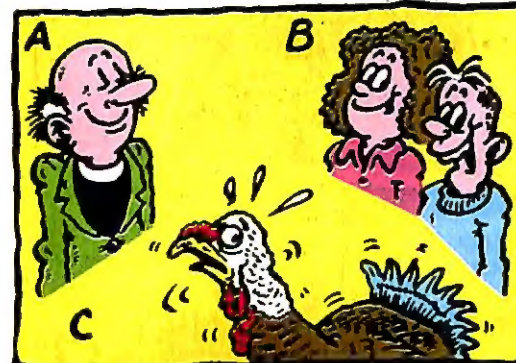


DELIBERATE MISTAKE: Vic's sister is wearing black socks in picture 10.

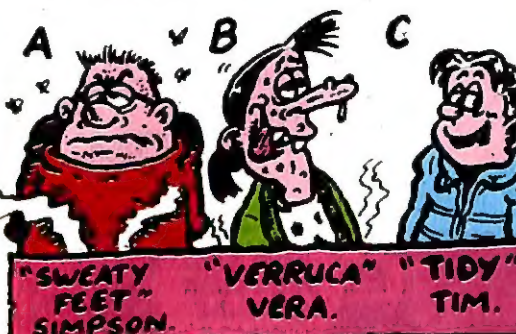


THE "DEAD EASY" CHRISTMAS DUMBO QUIZ!

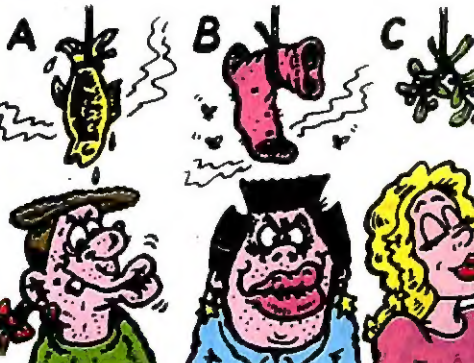
1. WHICH ONE OF THESE IS NOT LOOKING FORWARD TO CHRISTMAS...



2. WHICH ONE OF THESE CHILDREN WILL BE GETTING THEIR CHRISTMAS STOCKING FILLED...



3. WHICH OF THESE DO YOU KISS UNDER AT CHRISTMAS...



4. WHICH ONE OF THESE IS RUDOLPH THE RED NOSED REINDEER...



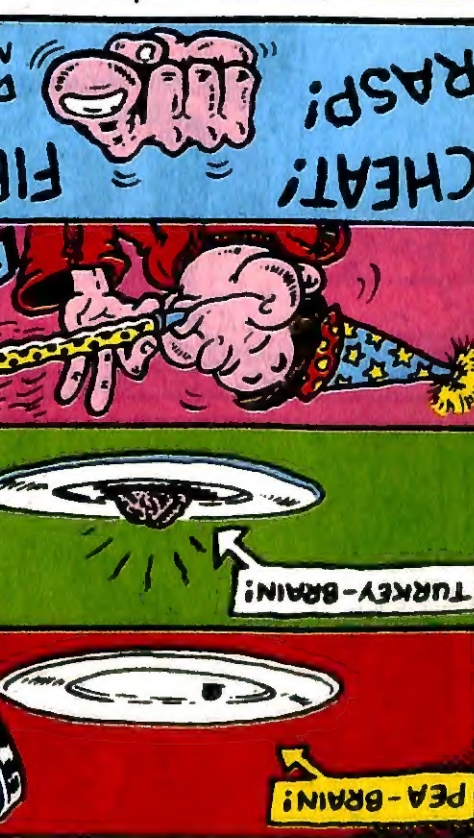
5. WHICH IS THE CORRECT CAPTION FOR THIS SCENE IN SANTA'S GROTTO...



6. GIVE THE FORMULA TO DESCRIBE THE WAVE CHARACTER OF A QUANTUM PARTICLE, WHERE THE FUNCTION 'U' REPRESENTS THE POTENTIAL OF FORCES ACTING ON THE PARTICLE. GIVEN THAT IT HAS A MASS OF 'M'...



0 - 1... No-one can be thick enough to get a score this low - not even Dozy Derek. Even the Ed managed to get more than 2 - 3... This was the Ed's wonderful score, (and he didn't cheat on one!) 4 - 5... Congrats. You're this issue's cool Christmas dude. 6... Impossible! Question 6 was so hard even the 1996 Mastermind Champion wouldn't have answered it. So there.



1. C. Things always get a little hot for turkeys around Christmas time.
2. C. Santa is a kind-hearted guy, but even he would think twice about touching anything that's been on Vera's or Simpson's feet.
3. We'd choose C. Mind you, you can kiss who you like under what you like.
4. B. And if you got this one wrong, your face ought to be REDDER than Rudolph's nose.
5. C. The baby has obviously dampened Santa's Christmas spirit.
6. Don't ask us.

TURN THE PAGE TO CHECK YOUR SCORE!..

ANSWERS!

